

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Prior Application: 08/765,836

Examiner: G. Cantelmo

Art Unit: 1753

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is a request for filing a [ ] continuation [ X ] divisional  
[ ] continuation-in-part under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (b) of pending  
prior application Serial No. 08/765,836, filed on January 14, 1997 of  
Migaku Takahashi for MAGNETIC THIN FILM AND PRODUCTION METHOD THEREFOR

1. a. [ X ] Enclosed is a copy of the prior application, including the oath or declaration as originally filed and an affidavit or declaration verifying it as a true copy.
- b. [ ] Enclosed is a revised specification which differs from the specification in the prior application to clarify the text but does not include new matter and the oath or declaration as originally filed.
- c. [ ] Enclosed is a new specification which includes additional new subject matter and a new oath or declaration.

2. [ X ] The filing fee is calculated as follows:

CLAIMS AS FILED IN THE PRIOR APPLICATION, PLUS ANY CLAIMS ADDED  
AND MINUS ANY CLAIMS CANCELED BY PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT BELOW

	Number Filed	Number Extra	Rate	Basic Fee
				\$760.00
Total Claims	4 -20 =	0	x \$18.00 =	\$
Independent Claims	2 -03 =	0	x \$78.00 =	\$
Multiple Dependent Claims			x \$260.00 =	\$
Total of Above Calculations				\$ 760.00

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Total Fees Enclosed

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3. [ X ] A check in the amount of \$ 380.00 is enclosed.  
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4. [ ] Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: --This is a divisional of Serial No. 08/765,836 filed January 14, 1997.--

5. [ X ] New information drawings are enclosed.
6. [ ] The prior application is assigned of record to
- 7a. [ ] A new combined declaration and power of attorney is enclosed.
- b. [ X ] A copy of the Power of Attorney as it appears in the original papers in the prior Application is enclosed.
8. [ X ] Associate Power of Attorney is enclosed.
9. Address all future communications to:

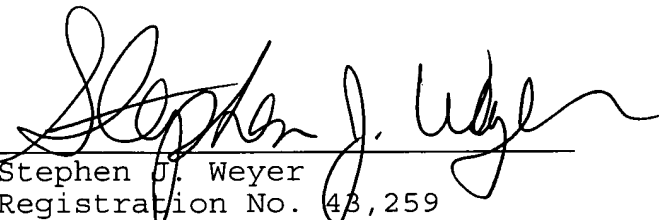
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10. [ X ] A preliminary amendment is enclosed. (Claims added by this amendment have been properly numbered consecutively beginning with the number next following the highest numbered original claim in the prior application.)
11. [ X ] I hereby verify that the attached papers are a true copy of prior application Serial No. 08/765,836 as originally filed on January 14, 1997.

The undersigned declares further that all statements made herein of his own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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